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by JAMES A. SMITH
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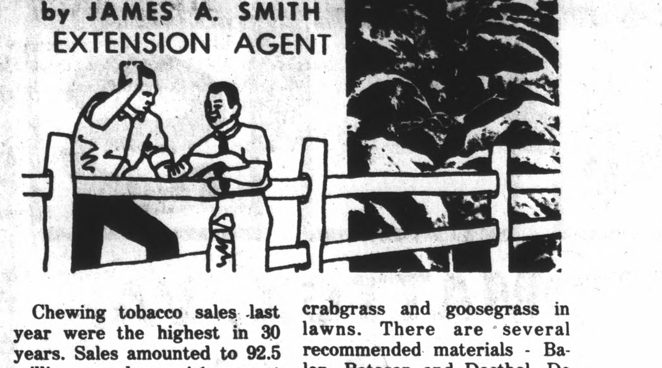

Chewing tobacco sales last year were the highest in 30 years. Sales amounted to 92.5 million pounds, up 4.1 percent over 1977. Two-thirds of the sales consisted of loose leaf chewing tobacco -- the kind that comes in a pouch.

Snuff production last year climbed above 25 million pounds.

World cigarette consumption is increasing at about 3% per year. This means that, at this rate, world demand for tobacco could almost double by the year 2000.

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Cyanoacrylate type glues are very fast drying. If skin becomes glued to skin, **do not** pull apart. First, soak the gluded area in warm, soapy water. Then, pull the skin apart or pry the surfaces apart with a spoon handle.

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Beginning July 1, all soil test results will be processed by computer. There will be new forms and more detailed information required. Details will be forthcoming.

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The Best Management Practices Manuals have arrived. They may be reviewed at this office, SCS or ASCS Offices - all have copies.

We urge that you become familiar with the proposal. It can and will have a significant impact on the way you have been doing business.

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Dandelions can be controlled in lawns with 2,4-D at the rate of 2 tablespoons per 1000 square feet. The amount of water used is insignificant since it is only a carrier.

Now is the time to prevent crabgrass and goosegrass in lawns. There are several recommended materials - Balan, Betasan and Dacthal. Do not use these materials on lawns seeded this spring.

If there is a need to control crabgrass, barnyard grass or foxtails in newly seeded lawn, use siduron. This chemical will not injur bluegrass, Ky 31 or perennial rye grass.

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Looks like a good crop of tent caterpillars are building up. There are numerous small tents developing in the crotches of trees. Spray while the caterpillars are small. Use seven, methoxychlor, diazinon or Bacillus Thuringiensis.

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Don't neglect putting an implant in steer calves. Be careful with heifers -- you can run into problems. See article elsewhere in this issue about implanting cattle.

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The value of the hide and offal from an average 1000 pound steer is now quoted at around $100 per head, well above procurement and slaughtering costs per head.

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Did you ever wonder which pasture to graze first. Since fescue greens up first, it works well to graze it first. After bluegrass, clover, or orchardgrass - clover pastures are well started, turn on them and let the fescue not needed for spring pasture go for hay. Fescue seed production and its subsequent spreaidng to other parts of the farm can be essentially eliminated in this way. If fescue is to be used for summer grazing, it is eaten much better if it goes into the summer short and vegetative.

Last week	1.31
This Month	3.03
This Year	17.59

Reception Given

A large crowd of relatives and friends attended the 25th wedding anniversary and reception of Deacon and Mrs. William Hancock Saturday at 3 p.m. The pastor of the church led a short devotional period in the main auditorium of the church and emphasized the wedding vows taken 25 years ago by the couple from Pastor Lawing. The Rev. Harrison Kelso offered a special prayer. A delicious dinner was served in the fellowship hall of the church. Maude's Resturant served the dinner. The couple's son, Mr. Michael Hancock, was in charge of all arrangements. The couple received many beautiful and useful gifts.

Revival At Vera Church of God

On Wednesday, April 18, 1979, the Vera Church of God will begin a revival with brother Robert Elswick as the guest evangelist. Services will begin nightly at 7:30 p.m. except Sunday night when services begin at 7 p.m. There will be special singing each night. Everyone is invited to come out and hear this dynamic man of God preach the word under the annointing of the Holy Ghost.

This is spirit filled preaching where the almighty power of God is manifested in each service. You are cordially invited to attend. We feel you will be richly blessed. The Vera Church of God is located approximately six miles east of Appomattox on Route 24 in the village of Vera. For more information you can call the parsonage at 352-5443.

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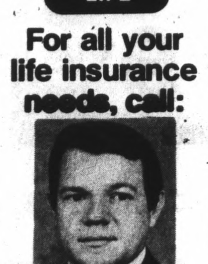

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In its native habit, the clematis twines its way up a shrub to spread across the crown in the sunlight and produce its brilliant flower display., Because of this habit, it needs direct sunlight on the top of the plant while its roots need cool shade.

If you don't wish to grow clematis with another plant, you can use it on trellises, deck railings, poles, fences and other areas. To keep the roots cool, plant it on the north side of low decks, behind annual flowers in a sunny border or mulch the roots with a few large, flat rocks over the root zone.

When you purchase a clematis either by mail-order or from a local nursery, you may be surprised at the size of the plant. Your young clematis will normally be a thin twig with a small root ball in a plastic bag when you receive it. This is still a quality plant. Remember that the name clematis means "thin vine."

The clematis stem is quite fragile. If your plant has a small stake attached when you purchase it, leave this in place for a few years. After planting, place a protective collar around the plant to prevent any damage to the young stem.

Loosen the soil where you are planting your clematis to a depth and width of two feet. Mix in peat moss and sand with your soil to improve drainage and add a handful of lime to this mix.

Set the plant in the hole so that the crown is at soil level. Stake the plant on three sides, particularly in areas where there is high traffic from children and pets. Tie a string to the stem that leads up to the vine's permanent supports to help guide the vine.

Water freely and often the first year and soak well, once a week, during dry weather in subsequent years. Feed twice a season with a good garden fertilizer such as 5-10-10 and lime.

Prune the plants the first spring after planting to just 6 to 12 inches from the ground. The tips of growing shoots can be pinched during late spring and early summer to produce extra branching. The more you prune the first year, the better your plant will appear in following years.

Late flowering varieties, those that bloom in late summer and fall, should be pruned back hard each year as these plants bloom on new growth each year. Early blooming varieties should not be pruned except to remove dead stems. Mulch the plant in late fall with peat moss or leaves to prevent damage from frost heave caused by winter freezing and thawing.

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PAMPLIN

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lucado spent the Easter week end with their son Dicky Baldwin and family in Richmond.

Mrs. Rixie Southall, Sr. returned to her home here last week after spending the winter months with her son Mr. Horton Miller Southall of Lynchburg.

Mrs. John Wright and daughters Mary and Libby of Norfold spent last week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Emory Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Maxwell were in Saxe Sunday due to the death of their son Wilbur father in law Mr. Wilson Lindsey.

Visitors in town for Easter were: Mr. and Mrs. Russell Neeley, Mrs. Joe Jurney, Tracey and Bill Terry of Farmville, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Delano of Warsaw, Mr. Gene Davis of Plainfield, Indiana, Miss Donna Smith, Richmond, Hal Smith of Lynchburg, Mrs. Mildred Dalton and sons Kevin, Oxon Hill, Md., Steven Dalton, US Merchants Marine Acade my Kings Point, N. Y., Mrs. Ernest Bateman, Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams Jr., and family spent last Sunday on Eastern Shore visiting her sister and family Mr. and Mrs. John Ligon.

Mrs. Barry Austin and children of Richmond are spending this week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Lynford Cumby.

Mr. Ed. Harvey is a patient at Lynchburg General Hospital.

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HOLLYWOOD

Rev. Daniel Menser brought a fine Easter message to our people at Hollywood Sunday morning at 9 o'Clock.

Mr. Barry Menser of Hampton spent the week end with his parents Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Menser.

Mrs. Murna Franklin hasn't been well for some time. It was good to have her at church the last two Sundays.

We were very sorry to hear Mr. Edd Zapp has recently been operated on. We are so glad he is at home and improving nicely.

We are happy to hear Mr. James Maxwell got a good report when he went back to McGuire Hospital last week for a check up.

Mrs. Ruby Jamerson of Pamplin is a patient in the Lynchburg General Hospital. Our sincere prayers are with her and her love ones.

Mr. Virgil Clabo, grandfather of Mrs. Andy Davis is a patient in the Southside Hospital in Farmville. We pray he may have a speedy recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Andy Davis and Robin visited him Saturday and Sunday.

We are very sorry to hear of the continued illness of Rev. W. H. Elder's mother, Mrs. Mattie Elder. Our thoughts and prayers are with her and her love ones.

Among the sick are Mr. Elliott Torrence, Mrs. Mae Slough, Mr. and Mrs. LeGrande Webb and daughter Joyce and Mrs. L. H. Watson. We pray each one may soon be feeling real well again.

Rev. W. H. Elder recently visited Mrs. Virgie Beasley and Mrs. Lucy Ferguson in the Martin-Wooldridge Nursing Home. Mr. Grover Beasley visited his mother Mrs. Virgie Beasley last week.

Mrs. W. T. Covington spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman. Mr. Alfred Almond visited in this home last week.

Calling in the home of Mrs. W. T. Covington last week was Mrs. Ruby Woodall, Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and Miss Julia Wingfield.

Mr. Alfred Almond was a visitor last week of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. David Repass and Sherri were supper guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Webb and Mr. Walker Webb. Mr. and Mrs. Arlis Maxwell and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garrett were visitors in this home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ioan Rowels Mayberry and Mr. and Mrs. Ryland Mayberry of Newport News spent the Easter week end with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and family of Appomattox and Mr. and Mrs. Roy St. John of Charlotte Court House. Mrs. Ioan Mayberry remained for a few weeks visit in the Deaner home.

Mrs. Frank Hanenkrat of Richmond spent Monday and Tuesday with her mother Mrs. J. L. Torrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wingfield and son of Roanoke spent Easter Sunday with Mrs. Wingfield's parents Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa spent Easter week end in Covington with Mrs. Woodall's parents Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Coffey and family.

Mrs. Lucy Hubbard and friend of Lynchburg were Sunday guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. James Woodall.

Guest of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Inge and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schampel Easter Sunday for a cook out were Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Menser and sons Mike and Barry Menser. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Childers, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shumaker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Inge and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Inge, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield, Miss Julia Wingfield and Mrs. Mary Bagby. The happy occasion was to celebrate the birthdays of Mr. Frank Schampel, Mr. Billy Inge, Rev. Daniel Menser and Mrs. Annie Webb. Due to sickness in her family Mrs. Webb and family were unable to attend. The children enjoyed an Easter egg hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hanenkrat of Richmond spent Saturday night and Sunday with their sister Mrs. M. L. Covington. They all attended services at New Hope Church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watson and family were supper guest Sunday night of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and family. They called in the homes of Mr. Kenneth Deaner and family and Mrs. Mary Bagby.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Torrence spent Sunday in Richmond with their son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Torrence and family.

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Menser and Mike called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Almond and Mrs. Tim Ramsdale called in the home of Mrs. Mary Bagby Sunday night visiting Mrs. Bagby last week were Mrs. Andy Davis and Robin, Mrs. Shirley Franklin, Miss Julia Wingfield, Mrs. Madeline Inge, Mrs. Robert Ayers, Bonnie and Connie Ayers, Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and Miss Dawn Deaner.

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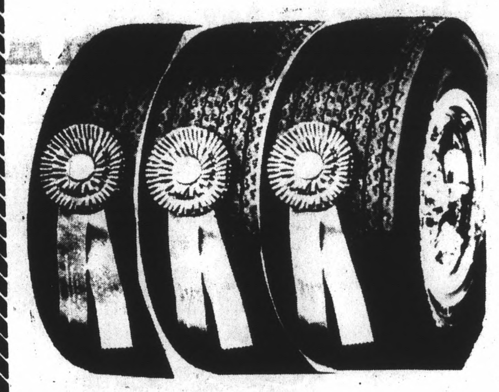

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Falling River Country Club Members

The first Twilight Golf Tournament of 1979 will be played on Tuesday, May 1 at 5:45 p.m. These tournaments are for Couples and proved last year to be loads of fun for everyone. Refreshments will be served after the event.

All interested members will please sign up as soon as possible on the Sheet posted on the Bulletin Board outside of the Pro Shop.

Any questions concerning this event, please contact Joyce Jamerson and Doris Nash.

Appomattox 8 Nelson Co. 2

The Raiderettes scored three runs in the first inning, added two more in the third, two in the fifth and one in the seventh to out duel Nelson County 8 to 2 in, Seminole District softball last week.

Karen Johnson's triple plated two runs in the first which gave Appomattox a lead they never lost. The Raiderettes played errorless ball behind the four hit pitching of Johnna Belter.

	AB	R	H	RBI
J. Belter P	5	1	0	0
A. Carter 1B	2	0	0	0
V. Smith CF	4	1	0	0
D. Smith 3B	3	1	1	0
S. Handy SS	3	1	1	1
K. Johnson LF	1	2	1	2
A. Richardson RF	3	2	1	0
S. Godsey 2B	2	0	1	0
S. Repass C				
L. Preston DH	3	0	1	1

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WP - Belter (4-0) LP-Adcock

Appomattox 15 J. Forest 1

The Raiderettes ran their season record to 6 wins and 0 losses with a 15 to 1 drubbing of Jefferson Forest in Seminole District softball action last week.

The Appomattox girls batted around in the first scoring five runs on five hits and after being held scoreless in the second they continued to pound Forest pitching for ten runs on fourteen base hits from the third through the sixth innings.

Johnna Belter (5-0) gave up only four hits in going the distance for Appomattox.

Big hits for the Raiderettes included Karen Johnson's home run, Vanessa Smith's triple and Sherri Repass' double. Repass also had two singles and Susan Godsey went four for four.

	AB	H	H	RBI
J. Belter P	3	0	2	2
A. Carter 1B	4	1	2	1
S. Handy SS	4	1	1	1
D. Smith 3B	4	2	2	0
R. Martin 3B	1	1	1	0
V. Smith CF	3	2	2	3
V. Cheatham	1	0	0	0
K. Johnson LF	2	3	1	2
A. White	0	0	0	0
A. Richardson RF	4	1	1	0
Y. Miller	0	0	0	0
S. Godsey 2B	4	3	4	0
B. Cheatham	1	0	0	0
S. Repass C	4	1	3	2

J Forest	000	100	0 - 1
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FRCC Tennis

Scrambled Mixed Doubles, the fun loaded season opener, will be held at Falling River Country Club April 28 and April 29.

You may sign up at the club house or call Harmon or Jackie Smith, 352-5733, by noon Wednesday, April 25.

Men's & Women's Softball Tournaments Planned

Men's softball tournament and women's softball tournament will be held at the new Brookneal Ballpark on May 4, 5, and 6.

For additional information contact Peggy Mason, P.O. Box 6, Rustburg, Va. 24588.

Dark-Fired Tobacco Growers Concerned About Low Grade Tobacco

The Virginia Dark-Fired Tobacco Growers Marketing Association is very concerned about the accumulation of low grade tobacco in government loan stocks and the possible effects it may have.

We feel the following will help you to understand the situation.

Dark Fired Board Meets

The Virginia Dark-Fired Tobacco Growers Marketing Association Board of Directors held its spring meeting at the New Randolph Warehouse, Farmville on Tuesday, March 27, 1979. The meeting was held for the purpose of reviewing the past marketing season and to try and assess the present situation of dark fired growers.

Pool Take Heavy

It was pointed out by President J. A. Hazelgrove that demand for low quality tobacco had fallen off sharply and that pool receipts had been heavy this past season. He stated that pool stocks now totaled about 2¼ million pounds from the 1977 and 1978 crops. After the re-drying and packing is completed 2156 hogsheads will be on hand, a good majority of which is in the low lug grades and non descript. In the opinion of some, much of this tobacco would not be disposed of at an early date.

Some Tobacco Received No Grade

Tom Hall, Association Manager, told the group that the last two years there had been an undetermined amount of tobacco offered by the growers which received no grade and no bid from the buyers. Some of this tobacco was carried away by the growers but by the end of the season quite a bit had accumulated at the warehouse. This tobacco had to be disposed of by giving it to someone to throw on their land and then ASCS employees inspected the warehouses to see that they were free of tobacco.

Other Growing Areas Accumulating Loan Stock

It was brought to the attention of the Directors that growers of Type 22 and 23 Dark-Fired Types in Kentucky and Tennessee were experiencing lower prices and growing loan stocks of similar tobacco. This could mean less demand for low grade tobacco for the immediate future since there seems to be building, a world wide supply of low grade tobacco even in the foreign growing areas. Malawi, one of the main foreign growing areas of dark-fired tobacco, had a large, poor quality crop this past marketing season. While foreign growing areas do not usually compete on quality they can outsell the United States when it comes to low quality tobacco.

Allotments Cut for 1979

Recently the United States Department of Agriculture announced a 10% cut in allotments for 1979. The Association opposed this cut but it was necessary because of the loan supply. If quality does not improve, further cuts may become necessary.

Growers Can elp Solve The Problem

Growers can help correct the problem by making every effort to grow quality tobacco in the future. The percentage of low grade tobacco marketed must be decreased. Growers can do this by either priming their tobacco before topping or by leaving the lower stalk leaves in the field at harvest, or by leaving them at home when they get ready to market their tobacco.

Still Demand For Most Tobacco

Buying interest who have been consulted point out usuage of Type 21 tobacco and demand is still steady. Because of poor growing seasons and some growers emphasis on pounds instead of quality, many orders have gone unfilled in recent years. If growers would put increased emphasis on growing quality, then averages and gross returns per acre would most certainly go up.

Extension Agents and specialists from the Southern Piedmont Research Centers at Blackstone, Virginia have pledged help in an education program that hopefully would result in better quality tobacco.

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Lung Assoc. Youth Hold Cleaner Air Week Kickoff

The annual meeting of the Virginia Lung Association's Youth Board of Directors on Saturday, April 21, will serve as a reminder that Cleaner Air Week in Virginia will be held from April 30 through May 6. Fifty-five high school students and regional sponsors will attend the session at lung association headquarters, 311 South Boulevard in Richmond at 10:30 a.m.

Now in its eleventh year, the Youth Board will honor past VLA advisors Rothwell G. G. Sketchley, Lawrence E. Crumbliss, and Richard L. Summers. Mr. Summers is now executive director of the Richmond Chapter of the Virginia Affiliate of the American Heart Association.

Major Lewis of Cumberland, president of the state youth board, called attention to the fact that accomplishments of regional youth boards will be featured at the session. "And after lunch," he said, "we will head for Byrd Park, across the street, and release 500 balloons for clean air. We hope to remind Virginia residents to observe Cleaner Air Week by conserving energy, driving to activities in a carpool, and checking their auto emissions control device for efficiency."

After sending off balloons, the youth board will return to the VLA parking lot where William Henderson, of Sun Electric Company, will conduct auto emissions testing of members' automobiles. The public is invited to witness the testing, but because of limited space, only youth board members' cars will be tested.

A general testing of emissions devices for personal autos is planned by the lung association and the State Air Pollution Control Board for the summer of 1979. The date will be announced later.

Troop 546 To Inaugurate Camping Area This Saturday

Troop 546, Boy Scouts of America, will dedicate the Sweeney Prizery Primitive Camping Area at 11 a.m. this Saturday, April 21, 1979. The ceremonies will be open to the public. All boys, 11 to 18 years of age, are encouraged to attend with their parents to see Scouting in Action. Scouts from Troop 546 will be engaged in demonstrations of Scouting Skills throughout the afternoon. Lunch will be available.

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